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Gustav Levander, et al.

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CONTAINING PRODUCTS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2002 (Paper No. 7), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Please enter the below substitute Abstract. Support for this amendment can be found in the specification on page 4, line 9, which contains the correct spelling of dicarboxylic, and on page 4, line 8, which contains the correct spelling of the word "naphthalene."

B1
A material for packaging a nicotine-containing product comprising a polymer based on dimethyl-2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylate or 2,6-naphthalene dicarboxylic acid monomers, such as polyethylene naphthalate (PEN) or polytrimethylene naphthalate (PTN), or a liquid crystal polymer (LCP). The material may be laminated to another polymer or to metal foil.

Please enter the below substitute paragraph for the paragraph on starting on page 2, line 14, and ending on page 2, line 20. Support for this amendment is as above.

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The material of the invention comprises polyethylene naphthalate, polytrimethylene